GERRY STIRS UPTHES. P. C. A. COMMITS IT TO HIS GRAB AT GOVERN.

MENTAL POWERS. Whereupon the Bergh Society, of Which He Is Vice-President, Disayows His Act and Declaret Against the Bills Designed to Enable Him to Say, "I Am the State."

In his struggle to get his insubordinate Soeiety for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children made a "Subordinate Governmental Agency." and thus exempt from the law requiring that all charitable organizations be open to the in-spection of the State Board of Charities, Mr. Ebridge T. Gerry has involved himself in a manner which can hardly fail to be unpleasant for him with another association of which he is Vice President, the American Society for the Presention of Cruelty to Animals. That Mr. Gerry is the Gerry society nobody pretends to deny. Apparently some idea that he is also the S. P. C. A. getting itself established in his mind has involved him in his present position of having been sharply rebuked by that organ-

When Mr. Gerry went about securing legislation to set his society beyond the reach of the law he deemed it best not to designate the organization too specifically, so he had the bills drawn declaring that all societies for the prevention of cruelty were "subordinate governmental agencies," thus removing them from the list of charities. This was because Judge Giegerien decided last October that the Gerry society is a charity, and as such open to the inspection of the State Board. This decision did not prevent the society from refusing admission to a regularly accredited inspector of the board shortly after the decision. The next step of the society after showing its contempt of the law was to make new laws of its own; hence Senate bills 141 and 142, commonly known as the Gerry bills. By the provision stated above the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, as well as all the other societies for that purpose in this State, their own way without interference or control

from anybody.

But the S. P. C. A. didn't take any stock in the Gerry bills, and, in fact, considered that it was being used as a catspaw by Mr. Gerry. Having nothing in its management, methods or expenditure of money to conceal, it is entirely ready and willing at any and all times to releame visitation and inspection by the State Board of Charities or its representatives. Mr Gerry was made to understand that his measures would get no support from that organization. Up in Albany there is a cruelty preven-

cerry was made to discussion that organization. Up in Albany there is a cruelty prevention seelety called the Mohawk and Hudson liver Humane Society, the president of which is a personal friend of Mr. Gerry. This gentleman, a Mr. Stillman, saw nothing but good in Mr. Gerry's bulls, and consequently Mr. Gerry saw nothing but good in a bill in which Mr. Stillman was interested.

This was Assembly bill No. 530, introduced by Assembly man Sabine and entitled "An act for the prevention of cruelty to animals and for the appointment of certain officers, and empowering them to do certain things in relation to dogs in the cities of the second and third classes." In reality its purpose was to permit the issue of dog licenses by certain persons, agants of the society, who should collect and retain the fews therefor, these agents to have police powers. The Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society and attempted to establish this system of fee collecting once before, but had met with an obstacle in the Court of Appeals, which declared such collection to be unconstitutional.

The purpose of Bill 530 was to permit Mr. Gerry strend to get around the decision of the court and establish his society, like the Gerry society, on a supra-legal basis. A copy of the bill was sent to John P. Haines. President of the Am. S. P. C. A., who called a meeting of the society to consider it. Mr. Gerry, who is one of the Vice-Presidents, was not present. It was determined at the meeting that the bill was not only calculated to harm because of humanity, but that it was an improper form of legislation.

President Haines was empowered to go to Albany and present the society's objections at the public hearing before the committee. At the hearing were representatives of various societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals, all of whom spoke against the bill, until President Stillman of the Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society got up and advocated the bill in a speech which he concluded by saying:

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expressed his opinion that the bill was a valuable measure, and concluded by reading the signature:

Elbridge T. Gerry, Vice-President of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Is that communication signed in that way? saked President Haines of the society.

It is, replied Mr. Stillman, and held it out toward the inquirer.

Mr. Haines saw that the letter was written on the official letter head of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Observing merely that Mr. Gerry was one of tenvice-Presidents and did not represent the society. Mr. Haines spoke against the bill and returned to this city. As soon as possible he society, Mr. Haines spoke against the Board of Managers the matter of Mr. Gerry's letter. The meeting was held on March 9 and the following resolution was passed:

Whereas. The Executive Committee of this society at its meeting held Feb. 9, 1839, empowered the President of this society to oppose the passage of Assembly bill No. 539, entitled An act for the prevention of cruelty to animals and for the appointment of certain officers, and empowering them to do certain things in relation to dogs in cities of the second and third class; and

Whereas. The President of the society appared by permission of the Hon. Robert Mazet, Chairman of the Assembly Committee on the Affairs of Cities, at a hearing on said bill on Feb. 21, in opposition to the measure: and

on the Affairs of Cities, at a hearing on said bill on Feb. 21, in opposition to the measure: and

Whereas, On his appearance before said committee the President found his mission discredited by an official letter from one of the year-Presidents of this society, written on the official paper of the society and officially signed by the said vice-President as an officer of this society, which letter was presented to the said committee by a President of a local society in support of the bill, which the President of this society, which letter was present to oppose: therefore, by the society, at the request of this committee, was present to oppose: therefore, by the society of the bill, which the President of this society at the request of this committee, was present to oppose: therefore, by the Resident of the Society of the Affairs of Cities, the assurance of this road that the opposition of the President to the said Assembly bill 530 had been authorized and directed by resolution of this committee, and that any representation to the contrary by any officer or member of this society was wholly unauthorized by this committee or board of Managers."

Mr. Gerry having interested himself in the matter of emeity to animals, it was only a fair return that Mr. Hatness should undertake something in the matter of Mr. Gerry's bills, and this he has done, as follows, in a letter to Assemblyman Keisey:

"Br. Ger Affairs, Chairman Judiciary Committee of the Mr. Gerry along and the Mr. G

Ron, citto Kelsev, Chairman Judiciary Committee of the Assembly. "Bea. Oto Kiles. Chairman Judiciary Committee of the Astemoly."

Dean Sin: It was my intention to ask you to permit me to be heard on behalf of the Astemoly.

Dean Sin: It was my intention of Cruelty to Animals in opposition to Senate bills 141 and 142 the Gerry society bills, but absence from town with prevent my appearance. The provisions of the bills are such as to include the absence of the bills are such as to include the absence of the bills are such as to include the absence of the bills are such as to include the absence of the bills are such as to include the absence of the bills are such as to include the absence of the bills are such as to include the absence of the bills are such as the society—the parent society of the kind in this country—does not ask for any such exemption. The Constitution of the State provides for a proper inspection of all institutions, whether city, gounty or municipal, incorporated or not incorporated, which have of a charitable, electrosynary or reformatory character. These bills, as I understand it, were preferred in the interest of the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children in order to overcome an adverse decision of the Supreme Court, but to said it in the passage of such legislation it has involved this society against its wishes, and by instruction of the Governing Board of this society I am requested to oppose the passage of said hills as being against the interest not only of animal protection throughout the State, but against the constitutional provision of the law. This servey does not presume to ask to be in a resident superior to the Supreme Court or the Constitution of the State, Yours very truly.

\*\*Xew York March 15.\*\*

Thus far Mr. Gerry has not made any countermove. If whe every law is interested on the constitution of the Supreme Court or the Constitution of the State. Yours very truly.

New York, March 15, "John P. Haines."

Thus far Mr. Gerry has not made any countermore. It was said vestorday, however, that his resignation from the S. F. C. A. would be beither a surprise nor a shock.

An incident of Mr. Gerry's campaign for the exemption of his society from inspection by his State Board of Charities, which has not before been made public, shows a touching spirit of helpfulness on the part of the wards of the society ward their head. For some time the platfors between the society and the State Soard of Charities have been a trifle strained.

Just before Christmas, however, Mr. William Rhinelander Stewart, President of the State Board, received the following letter on the Gerry society letterhead with the Gerry seal and the "Caula address, Gerry"

"THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN.

"The Hon. William Rhinelander Siccort:

"RESPECTED SIR-The undersigned a committee of the children in charge of the above society, who expect to hold their Christmas festivities on Saturday evening, Dec. 24, beginning about 7 P. M., most cordially invite you to attend the same. With their wishes that you may have a 'Merry Christmas' and a 'Happy New Year,' we are:

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may have a "Merry Ohristmas and a 'Happy New Year,' wo are:

"MANUE GRAVES.
"CHARLOTTE BERST.
"CLIFFORD GRAVES.
"THOMAS GILMARTIN.
JOE JOSEPH."

At the time nothing was known of the Gerry bills. Mr. Stewart, although he perceived that the invitation was not from Mr. Gerry direct, and that the signatures were in various handwritings, regarded the note as a bleasant courtesy, and decided to go. He was provented, however, by being unexpectedly called away. Later on, when the Gerry bills were made public, he was rather glad he hadn't gone. It occurred to him that perhaps Mary, and Charlotte, and Clifford, and the other little ones had sprung a strategic game upon him in behalf of Mr. Gerry; that if he had accepted the invitation of those deep youngsters and had gone to the merrymakings in the Gerry society rooms, and that if thereafter he had appeared against the bilis and asked why the society should be afraid of investigation for the property of the scheme oculd refort that the society was not afraid of investigation minds who originated the scheme could refort that the society was not afraid of investigation, since only last Christmas the President of the State Board of Charities, Mr. Stewart himself, had visited the headquarters and had been taken all around the place.

Mrs. Hamilton Fish's Funeral.

MATTEAWAN, March 18.-The funeral serdoes of the late Mrs. Emily Maria Fish, wife of ex-Speaker Hamilton Fish, were held at Garrisons-on-the-Hudson this afternoon, and were largely attended by relatives and friends of the family. The services began at 1 o'clock in St. Philip's Church, and were conducted by the Rev. Carroll Perry and Dr. Walter Thompson of New York. The remains were interred in the Fish family plot in the cemetery adjoining the church.



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For to-morrow we offer a series of unequalled price attractions in our silk store, every item a bargain gem of the first magnitude.

In Black Silks.

LOT 1-75 Pieces of Black Japanese Silk, 24 in. wide, very strong, lustrous and serviceable. They are subject to the little irregularities in weave almost always to be found in Japanese goods, but otherwise they are pertect. Special price for Monday, per

yard, 29c.
LOT 2-50 Pieces of Plain Black Japanese Twilled Foulards, 26 inches wide, a beautiful, substantial quality, imported to sell at 85c. a yard, and worth it, too; Monday's special price, per yard, 49c. LOT 3-75 Pieces of Imported Black

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other store in New York, so far as we know, for less than \$1 a yard; Monday,

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Colored Dress Goods. plain or fancy, this list will show: Cashmeres All Wool Imported 25 shades Henriettas 46 in. 69 to 85 Surah Serges Spring shades 44 inch French Serges Silk finish Poplins French 40 inch Poplins-extra quality 45 and 48 in. .98 Tailor Cloths -50 shades and mixtures -50 inch

42 inch Rough Finish Cheviots New Coverts Best mixtures Tailor Checks Light colors Pebble Mixtures Tan and Gray

Double tinted Worsted Checks 50 inch Fine Tailor Cloths-all colors Imported Coverts and Vigoureux Imported Granite Sultings Bilk effects in Two-toned Novelties - Spring colors | Silk and Wool Novelties

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